REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION REFERRAL

TO

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION OFFICE

DATE:

February 1, 2013

ANALYST:

Laura E. Sinram

I. COMMITTEE:

California Real Estate Political Action

Committee/Federal

(C00083279)

M. Iqbal Bholat, Treasurer

525 S. Virgil Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90020

II. RELEVANT STATUTE:

2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2) 11 CFR § 104.3(a)

III. BACKGROUND:

Failure to Provide Supporting Schedules (Failure to Disclose All Financial Activity)

California Real Estate Political Action Committee/Federal ("the Committee") amended its 2011 Mid-Year Report to disclose additional receipts of \$363,223.69, which were not disclosed on the original report (Attachment 2).

On July 31, 2011, the Committee filed the original 2011 Mid-Year Report covering the period from January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011. The report disclosed \$153,222.26 in receipts on Line 11(a)(i) (Itemized Contributions from Individuals) and \$270,750.53 in receipts on Line 11(a)(ii) (Unitemized Contributions from Individuals) of the Detailed Summary Page (Image 11931531557).

On January 31, 2012, the Committee filed an Amended 2011 Mid-Year Report. The report disclosed \$174,335.33 in receipts on Line 11(a)(i) and \$612,861.15 in receipts on Line 11(a)(ii) of the Detailed Summary Page, an increase of \$363,223.69 from the original report (Image 12950395861; Attachment 2).

On March 26, 2012, a Request for Additional Information (RFAI) was sent to the Committee referencing the Amended 2011 Mid-Year Report, received January 31, 2012. The RFAI requested clarification regarding the substantial increase in receipts disclosed on the Amended 2011 Mid-Year Report that were not disclosed in the original filing (Image 12330004420).

On April 27, 2012, the Committee filed a Miscellaneous Electronic Submission ("Form 99") which stated, in part:

"In 2011, CREPAC/Federal started using a fundraising database managed by the National Association of Realtors (NAR) and encountered problems during the transition to the new software program. Some online contributions were not posted by NAR until several months after the original report was filed. In addition, other contributions were incorrectly allocated in the database due to a programming error in splitting the contributions. After NAR fixed the formula, there was a substantial increase in contributions allocated to CREPAC/Federal, which was reflected in the amended report (Image 12951583374)."

On November 16, 2012, the Reports Analysis Division (RAD) Analyst left voicemail messages for the Committee's treasurer, M. Iqbal Bholat, and assistant treasurer, Cary Davidson, informing them that the increase in receipts disclosed on the amended 2011 Mid-Year Report were referable for further action by the Commission. The Analyst noted the explanation provided as a Form 99 and explained that if the Committee wanted to provide further clarification about the iasue, they could submit additional information for the public record. The Analyst left contact information if the Committee had questions (Attachment 3).

On November 29, Flora Yin, an attorney for the Committee, called the Analyst in reference to the referable matter. The Analyst noted the explanation provided as a Form 99 and stated that if the Committee wanted to provide further clarification about the issue, they could submit additional information for the public record (Attachment 3).

To date, no further communication has been received from the Committee regarding this raatter.

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Additional Receipts by Line Number

2011 Mid-Year Report/Amended 2011 Mid-Year Report, received 1/31/12

Report Line	2011 Mid-Year Report (Image 11931531555)	Amended 2011 Mid-Year Report, received 1/31/12 (Image 12950395859)	Variance Amount
Line 11(a)(i): Itemized Contributions from Individuals	\$153,222.26	\$174,335.33	\$21,113.07
Line 11(a)(ii): Unitemized Contributions from Individuals	\$270,750.53	\$612,861.15	\$342,110.62
		Total Variance:	\$363,223.69